## **CROP REPORT**

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## Oregon's cattle inventory up 80,000 head

All cattle and calves in Oregon on January 1, 2004, totaled 1,440,000 head, up 80,000 from last year's 1,360,000 head, according to the Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service. Milk cow inventory was 117,000 head, the same as last year. Beef cows accounted for 603,000 head, up 10,000 from last year.

Beef replacement heifers increased 5,000 to 120,000 head. Milk cow replacement heifers increased 10,000 head to 70,000. Steers over 500 lbs. increased by 30,000 to 180,000 head, and bulls over 500 lbs. remained steady at 40,000 head. Calves under 500 lbs. increased by 5,000 to 180,000 head.

Oregon's calf crop was at 690,000 head. All cattle on feed for the slaughter market increased 30,000 to 85,000 head.

## United States January 1 cattle inventory down 1 percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2004, totaled 94.9 million head, 1 percent below the 96.1 million on January 1, 2003.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 41.9 million, were down 1 percent from the 42.1 million on January 1, 2003.

- Beef cows, at 32.86 million, were down slightly from January 1, 2003.
- Milk cows, at 8.99 million, were down 2 percent from January 1, 2003.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2004 and the change from January 1, 2003, are as follows:

- All heifers 500 pounds and over, 19.3 million, down 1 percent.
- · Beef replacement heifers, 5.52 million, down 2 percent.
- · Milk replacement heifers, 4.02 million, down 2 percent.
- Other heifers, 9.80 million, down 1 percent.
- Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 16.3 million, down 2 percent.
- Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.21 million, down 2 percent.
- Calves under 500 pounds, 15.2 million, down 2 percent.
- Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 13.8 million, up 4 percent.

The 2003 calf crop was estimated at 37.9 million head, down 1 percent from 2002. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 27.7 million, down 1 percent from 2002.

Cattle and Calves: Number by class, selected states, and United States, January 1, 2003-2004

|               | All cattle<br>and calves |            | Beef cows<br>that have calved |            | Milk cows<br>that have calved |            | Cattle and calves<br>on feed |            |
|---------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| State         | 2003                     | 2004       | 2003                          | 2004       | 2003                          | 2004       | 2003                         | 2004       |
|               | 1,000 head               | 1,000 head | 1,000 head                    | 1,000 head | 1,000 head                    | 1,000 head | 1,000 head                   | 1,000 head |
| California    | 5,250                    | 5,200      | 740                           | 720        | 1,670                         | 1,700      | 495                          | 510        |
| Idaho         | 2,000                    | 2,010      | 490                           | 488        | 390                           | 412        | 305                          | 305        |
| Montana       | 2,450                    | 2,400      | 1,432                         | 1,472      | 18                            | 18         | 70                           | 70         |
| Nevada        | 510                      | 510        | 245                           | 244        | 25                            | 26         | 16                           | 13         |
| Oregon        | 1,360                    | 1,440      | 593                           | 603        | 117                           | 117        | 55                           | 85         |
| Washington    | 1,100                    | 1,120      | 248                           | 270        | 247                           | 240        | 190                          | 205        |
| United States | 96,100.0                 | 94,882.0   | 32,983.3                      | 32,860.3   | 9,141.7                       | 8,990.5    | 13,219.8                     | 13,810.9   |

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